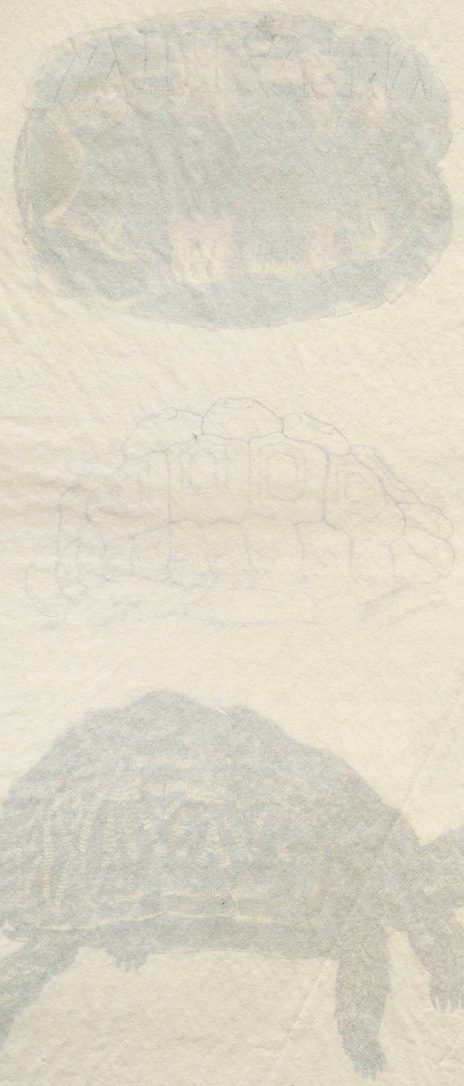

TESTUDO GEOMETRICA, *Linn.*

Testâ ovatâ, globosâ; scutis nigris, luteo radiatis, sulcatis, gibbosis, vertebralibus elevatis, areolis depressis; scuto nuchali angusto, elongato.

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Junior (sine scutellis?) testâ flavâ. *Testudo luteola.* Daud. II. p. 277. t. 25.

Habitat in Indiâ—in Insulâ Madagascar—in Africâ australi.
Mus. nostr.

Descriptio. *Caput* nigro, luteo et rubro variegatum, squamosum. *Collum* squamis minutis, elevatis, granosis scabrum. *Pedes anteriores* squamis magnis, imbricatis, defensi; quarum plurimæ rotundæ; reliquæ majores, elongatæ, lanceolatæ, luteæ. *Ungues* longi, robusti. *Pedes posteriores* flavo-grisei. *Cauda* brevissima. *Testa* elevata, globosa. *Scuta dorsalia* concentricè sulcata, convexa, nigra, lineis æqualibus luteis ab areolâ usque ad marginem radiantibus: *vertebralia* conica, truncata; areolis centralibus, depressis; primum pentagonum; secundum hexagonum, anticè angustius; tertium transversè hexagonum; quartum hexagonum, posticè subattenuatum; quintum margine posteriore latiore: *costalia* gibbosa, areolis depressis, prope marginem superiorem positis: *marginalia* anteriora expansa, horizontalia; lateralia carinâ longitudinali revolutâ; posteriora subdentata, revoluta. *Scutum nuchale* lineare, angustissimum: *caudale* verticale, infrà incurvatum. *Sternum* luteo- et fusco-nebulosum; anticè acutè emarginatum; posticè quadridentatum, et marginem testæ superioris ferè attingens. *Scuta gularia* prominentia, anticè unidentata: *humeralia* trapezoidea, extrorsùm rotundata: *pectoralia* anticè sinuata: *abdominalia* magna, quadrata, medio subgibbosa: *femoralia* trapezoidea, ad areolas prominentia: *analia* rhombea, porrecta, ita ut apertura pro caudâ triangularis et perangusta.